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AFRL awards contract to ANDRO Consulting of Rome

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ROME, N.Y. — The Air Force Research Laboratory (AFRL) Information Directorate has awarded a \$99,174 contract to ANDRO Consulting Services of Rome.

The nine-month agreement, “Situation Awareness Information Fusion,” is being funded through the federal government’s Small Business Innovative Research (SBIR) program.

“This study is the first phase of an SBIR initiative to develop and demonstrate interoperable situational awareness using multiple human-machine interface modalities – or human senses such as sight, hearing and touch and skin-level responses from a human brain,” said Mark G. Alford, program manager in the

directorate’s Information and Intelligence Exploitation Division.

“The object of this research is to enhance real-time processing and fusion of information through the introduction of information appliances into the ‘interactive workspace,’ whether that workspace be an aircraft cockpit or a commercial office,” said Alford. “This technology will eventually benefit a wide variety of operations in the commercial sector, ranging from medical facility building management to security control, airport safety and environmental solutions.”

Robert E. Klees of the directorate’s Contracting Division negotiated the agreement. @